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Committees will prepare self-study of Southern

With the North Central Association accreditation team due to visit Missouri Southern next fall, committees have been formed to prepare a self-study of the College.

"We are in a position where we have to take a good, hard look at what we are doing," said Don Seneker, chairman of the steering committee. "When the team comes here one year from now, it will have read our self-study, and should be able to say we are just as we said we were."

In order for the College to be evaluated by the team, there must be something to measure it against. The basis upon which the College will be judged is its ability to meet the criteria for accreditation.

The evaluative criteria are as follows:

- The institution has clear and publicly stated purposes, consistent with its mission and appropriate to a postsecondary educational institution.

- The institution has effectively organized adequate human, financial, and physical resources into educational and other programs to accomplish its purposes.

- The institution is accomplishing its purposes.

- The institution can continue to accomplish its purposes.

"What we should report are our strengths and weaknesses," said Seneker, "and what we are doing about them."

According to Seneker, the last time Southern was visited by the accreditation team, the school had not yet recovered from the death of Dr. Leon Billingsly, College president.

"We were not as happy with our posture as a college at that time," said Seneker. "But we have addressed our concerns and moved further ahead. This will clear the air; there will be no cloud."

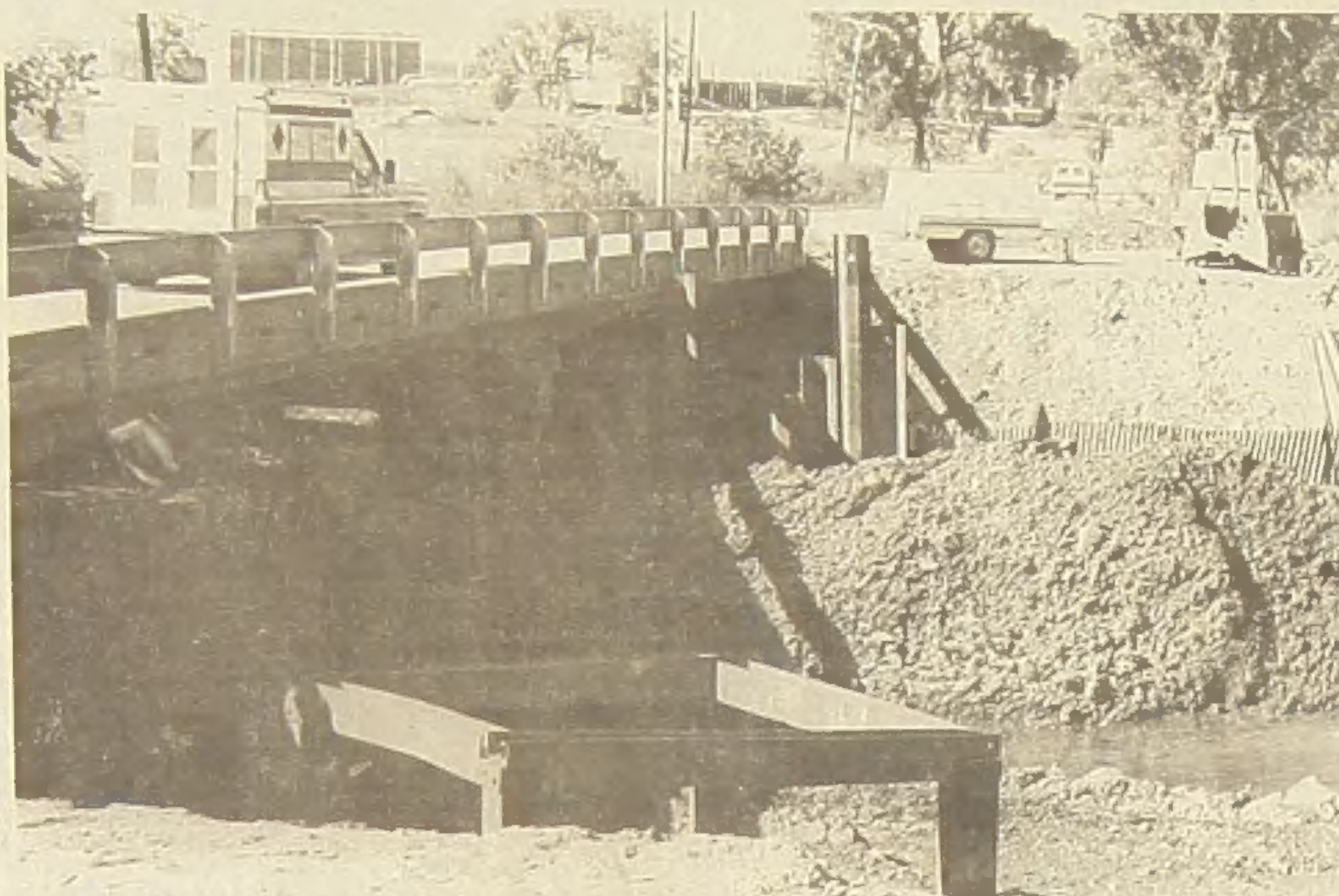
Seneker believes the newly-implemented Outcomes Program will aid Southern in its quest for accreditation.

"We want to use the data from the Outcomes Program for the evaluation," said Seneker. "This will put us head and shoulders above many other institutions."

"We want them to know we are good, and we will prove it. We want them to realize our problems, but also realize we are changing and improving."

Seneker has called an organizational meeting of all committees involved for tomorrow. At that time, overall strategies and a time frame will be set.

Other members of the steering committee include Dr. Beverly Culwell, co-chair; Dr. Edith Compton; Myrna Dolence; Larry Goode; Delores Honey; Dr. Joseph Lambert; Dr. John Messick; Jack Spurlin; and College President Julio Leon.



Construction underway

(Top) The Joplin city street department has started to widen the bridge over Turkey Creek. (Above) Clouds of dust are often present at the intersection of Duquesne Road and Seventh Street. (Chart photos by Rick Evans)

College may discontinue automotive program

Because of declining enrollment, there is a strong possibility the automotive technology program at Missouri Southern will be discontinued at the end of this year.

James Maupin, dean of the school of technology, said program enrollment has been decreasing over the past few years, and that it has "hit bottom" this fall. This fact became apparent by the enrollment of only 11 freshmen, and the closing of three classes due to failure to meet minimum enrollment requirements.

"Apparently it's just one of those types of fields that is not appealing to the students at this time," said Maupin.

Southern currently offers an associate degree in automotive technology. The program has been in existence 21 years at the College.

According to Dr. Roger Adams, associate professor of automotive technology, the problem stems from the fact that it is not a glamorous profession and that it has become extremely complicated with the addition of "on-board electronics" to many automobiles.

"It's a service occupation, and I see that in the future it may be hard to find somebody to fix these new vehicles," said Adams.

The declining interest in the field has become obvious during the last four years.

"We've been as high as 40 majors in the program," said Adams.

He pointed out that Missouri Southern is not the only school experiencing problems with low enrollment in automotive technology.

"There are several others in the state with the same problem," he said, pointing out Southwest Missouri State University as one such school.

Also mentioned as a cause of decreasing enrollment was the fact that dealers and manufacturers are now training many of their own workers for service positions.

According to Maupin, before a decision is made as to whether the program will be discontinued, state education officials and the College's Board of Regents must be consulted. He said further details on the decision will be available next week.

If the decision is made to discontinue the program, the program will end in May. However, current students will have the opportunity to complete their coursework before that time. Maupin said that if a problem arises in a student's ability to finish the required classes during that time, they will look into the possibility of completing them at another area school. He said that general education classes could be picked up at any time.

Rain causes lost week of construction

While road construction continues on Seventh Street from Rangeline to Duquesne Road, work is just beginning on the widening of Duquesne Road to Missouri Southern.

The completion of these two projects will allow complete four-lane access to the College.

Because of the recent rains, construction by the Missouri State Highway Department has been slowed down on Seventh Street.

"We've just lost a whole week because of the rain and gained nothing," said Ed Locke, construction engineer for the Highway Department.

Locke says the entire road construction on Seventh Street, including the widening of the Seventh Street and Duquesne intersection, will probably not be completed until next April.

Work on the project began early last spring.

Meanwhile, the Joplin city street department has started to widen the bridge over Turkey Creek, and is continuing to negotiate for purchase of land on Duquesne Road from Seventh to Newman Road.

"Right now we are purchasing the right-of-way from the landowners along that stretch," said David Hertzberg, civil

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New budget cuts would not be a 'shock'

Mid-year budget cuts at Missouri's public colleges may be coming if projected state revenues are not realized due to the economy.

"People are already talking about cuts the Governor may have to make in the middle of the year," said College President Julio Leon Monday in an address at the Faculty Senate's first meeting.

"The Governor withheld some of the money appropriated for capital improvements as well as 3 per cent (of college budgets)," said Leon. "As an institution, we usually go the way the economy goes. It is fair to say that in the last three years, higher education has fared well. In the future it could be very flat."

Since 3 per cent of agency budgets and capital appropriations have been withheld, Leon said the state could afford to have revenues grow at a slower pace because of the cushion, but there is a danger that more cuts may be necessary.

"When money is committed and the revenues don't come in at that pace, we have to cut somewhere," said Leon.

According to Leon, cuts in the College budget must be made in the discretionary part of the budget—money not committed

to specific items. Steps have already been taken to minimize the effects of possible mid-year cuts.

"We are ourselves withholding 5 per cent of each area's budget," Leon said. New cuts "would not be a major shock."

A shift in priorities at Missouri Southern is eminent.

"We are reaching the point where we are beginning to have other concerns," Leon said. "We have to shift priorities at some point."

"By the very fact that Missouri Southern has chosen to put priorities on instruction, progress will result," he said.

New admissions policy

One possibility now under consideration by the administration is raising admissions requirements. Missouri Southern now has an "open door policy." Studies are now being done to determine what kind of students are entering Southern, their class rank, and ACT scores.

"We are looking at needs," said Leon, "and what avenues students have to appeal if they are turned down."

One purpose of the studies is to determine how admissions requirements might

be changed, and at the same time not close the door on persons who desire a college education and are determined to do well in college.

Longer semesters coming?

Another change which may occur in the near future is lengthening of school semesters. The state of Missouri requires a minimum of 75 days of classes per semester.

"In the early years (of the College), we had 17-week semesters," Leon said. "It has been whittled down to the 75-day minimum. I think there is a need to reverse the process."

The administration is considering starting semesters on Mondays instead of Thursdays, and eliminating the one-day fall vacation. The change would add three to four days onto the semester and give faculty and students more time to get more accomplished.

"Not much work is done in the first two days of school," said Leon. "It is not unusual to see students in class for 10 minutes, and then hit the ground running."

Bus travels its final mile

Southern will attempt to sell 1966 model

A dear, but worn-out old friend has traveled its last mile for Missouri Southern.

Because of the number of recent breakdowns and the cost of these repairs to the College, the Southern bus will be sold. The bus was mainly used by athletic, music, and other student organizations.

"We hated sending student groups out in a bus that we knew might break down," said Dr. John Tiede, vice president for business affairs.

The College maintenance department had to make frequent repairs as a result.

"Basically we were working on it everytime it came back from a trip," said Bob Frost, mechanic. "It wasn't necessarily major problems—there were a lot of minor problems, too."

Frost cited several times when he would have to make trips to repair the bus after it had left campus. One time he traveled to Nebraska to repair the bus after the wheels froze.

Tiede said that on the last inspection of the bus he discovered a lot of rust and structural problems with the bus. In a meeting Monday morning it was decided to sell the vehicle.

"We thought we should sell it while we could still get some money out of it," said Tiede.

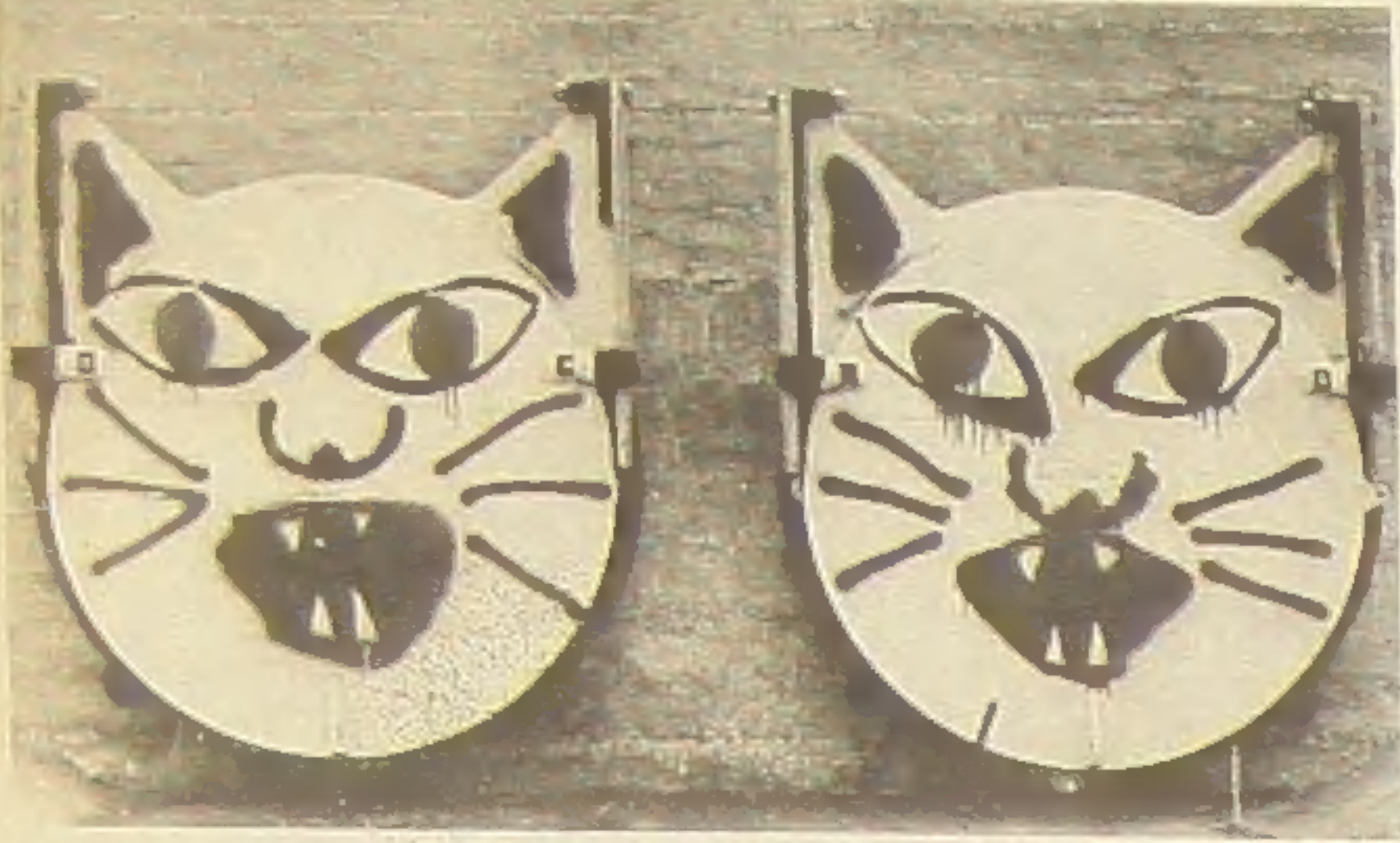
Tiede said estimates show the bus may be sold for \$15,000 to \$20,000.

The bus is a 1966 model that was purchased from Trailways in 1977 for \$23,000. Since that time the College has put 200,000 additional miles on it.

Tiede does not expect the College to buy a new bus. The purchase of another mini-bus is a possibility.

If a larger bus is needed by an organization, a charter bus will be used. The football and basketball teams have been using a charter bus for trips to Nebraska and Hays, Kan.

According to Tiede, bids are taken to charter buses. The average cost is \$1.60 for each mile.



Mystery

These drain covers, located near Kuhn Hall, were painted about a year ago to look like cats. No one knows who was responsible, although it is rumored that a College fraternity did the work. It is the second or third time they've been painted. Missouri Southern's maintenance department has painted over the drains before, but plans to leave them this way for the time being. (Chart photo by Sean Vanslyke)

Local musicians to perform

Studio expects 28,000 to attend festival

Blue Bamboo Recording Studio of Webb City will be presenting the first annual Blue Bamboo Music Fest 86 Saturday and Sunday at McClelland Park in Joplin.

Some 28,000 people are expected to attend the festival, according to organizers.

Sponsored by Pepsi and Fly By Nite Music of Neosho, the festival was designed as a day to honor and introduce local musicians, and to give non-profit organizations a chance to meet the public.

Admission to the festival is free. All proceeds will be going to the Joplin Parks and Recreation Department for the Youth Activities Program.

Among the events to be held are helicopter rides provided by Four-State Helicopters of Neosho, a motorcycle show on Sunday presented by Harley-Davidson, and karate and gymnastic demonstrations given by the YMCA and Japan Karate Federation of America.

Both days will feature live bands, including *Dragonslayer*, *Aunt Sally Band*, *Relix*, *New Law*, *Sour Mash*, *Chips Potato*

Guys, and many more playing rock, contemporary Christian, country and western, blue grass, and jazz.

A blue grass fiddlers contest will be held at 3 p.m. Sunday on the main stage. Prizes will be awarded, and walk-ons are welcome.

At 6 p.m. Saturday a Pow Wow will be presented by the Cornerstone Inter-tribal Council as part of a state-wide week of recognition for Indians.

There will be a Mountain Man Meet on both days presented by the Missouri Fur Co., with full-dress being worn, demonstrations of shooting, and a campfire set up.

Puppet shows, a playground, and games will be provided for children.

An arts and crafts show with over 200 booths will also be held. There is still available space which can be obtained by contacting Ron Lindsey at 417-624-3864, mornings. Walk-ons are also welcome.

Student organizations from Missouri Southern are encouraged to set up booths for fund raising.

America can overcome problems

Economics professor says fundamental handicaps are 'myths'

By Erik Schrader
Staff Writer

America can overcome its economic problems, but not without help, according to economics professor Lester Thurow.

"Our fundamental handicaps are just myths about ourselves," said Thurow Tuesday night in a speech sponsored by the Business Economics Lecture Series.

"America sees itself as the Lone Ranger. Unfortunately the Lone Ranger did not exist. If the Lone Ranger really tried to settle the west by himself, where would he be? He would be dead.

"You survive as a group paying close attention to details. Even the Lone Ranger had three helpers: his horse, Silver; Tonto; and Tonto's horse, Scout. The moral of this story is that the United States needs helpers, too."

Dr. Thurow stressed to the crowd of over 100 that the first step to recovery is to realize the U.S. economy is in trouble.

"Let's face it, the economy is dead," he said. "Many Americans are still not past the denial stage. It is not until the information goes from your head to your gut that you take action."

Thurow also pointed out that the U.S. will never be as dominant economically as it was in the 1950's.

"Right now the world is full of technological equals, but that is the way

it should be. We weren't the leader 30 years ago because we worked the hardest; we were the leader because the rest of the world had blown itself up in World War II."

America needs to become more involved in filling other countries' needs, claimed the former Rhodes Scholar.

"Look at Volvo. Seventy percent of their sales are in the United States. They are an American company who just happen to manufacture in Sweden. The United States manufactures products primarily for itself, and if another country wants the exact same product they are welcome to buy it."

Currently, the U.S. is supporting itself through foreign loans, according to Thurow. The U.S. recently passed Brazil to become the world's number one debtor nation.

"America is very dependent on foreign loans, and in the long run the lending will stop. If you were a foreigner, how much money would you lend America?"

Other countries' uncertainty about America's economic stability is causing trouble on Wall Street, Thurow said.

"Why was the stock market so jittery last week? Investors are scared to death that an England or Japan will bail out one sunny morning and interest rates will double by the afternoon," the former presidential economic adviser said. "If the lending stopped tomorrow, the average

American's standard of living would drop 4 per cent. In the big recession two or three years ago, the biggest since World War II, the standard of living only dropped a little over 1 per cent."

Thurow also pointed out that the U.S. is currently operating with a \$175 billion deficit. If that money was staying in America, four and a half million more people would have jobs.

To put America on the rise again, people must be willing to hold on to their money, said Thurow.

"The obvious solution is to consume less. That is what the other countries have done. They have built societies where you cannot have what you want unless you are willing to save."

Thurow noted that while other countries' citizens save up to 24 per cent of their yearly income, the average American saves less than 5 per cent.

"I will know that politicians are serious about improving the economy when they stop talking about saving more and start talking about consuming less," he said.

The Massachusetts Institute of Technology faculty member questioned the likelihood of America adopting these policies.

"As a political society, can we do these things?" he asked. "Intellectually I am pessimistic, but emotionally I am an optimist. I do not think we will do these things, but I know we can."

Tulsa station owner to conduct seminar

Dr. John K. Major, owner and general manager of KCMA, Tulsa's fine arts radio station, will be conducting a seminar for the staff members and personnel of KXMS.

All persons who work at KXMS are required to attend the seminars, which will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 24, and Thursday morning, Sept. 25, in Room 314 of the Billingsly Student Center.

Robert Harris of the KXMS staff will begin the Wednesday afternoon session with a 50-minute talk on musical terms

and pronunciation.

At 2 p.m. Major will conduct his session, which will include programming and technical aspects of classical music radio, audience research, and sales and promotion. This session will last until 5 p.m.

Thursday morning, Major will observe KXMS operations and meet with staff members to provide them with guidance and advice.

Major has been associated with classical musical radio for several years. Prior to

owning KCMA, Major was general manager of WONO in Syracuse, N.Y., and was director of research and marketing at WFMT in Chicago.

Before working with radio, Major was a professor of physics and dean of the New York University graduate school of arts and sciences. He is listed in *Who's Who in America* and in *American Men of Science*.

Major's visit has been arranged with assistance from major supporters of KXMS.

Conrow sustains broken leg in accident

Sustaining a broken leg in a skateboard accident resulted in the hospitalization of Linda Conrow last week.

"I had gone outside my house to see what the neighborhood kids were doing," said Conrow, secretary for the education department. "They were riding skateboards, and I asked one of them if I could try it."

She said the skateboard she attempted to ride was "spring loaded," and made for a professional. Conrow slipped off the

board and reportedly flew up in the air several feet before landing on the ground. She landed on her left hip (cracking it), twisted her left knee, and broke her left femur in three places.

She was admitted in St. John's Regional Medical Center and underwent surgery the next day. The surgery took approximately five hours, and was performed by Dr. Bruce Burleigh. Conrow was released from the hospital three days ago.

She now has 40 stitches in her leg, as well as a steel plate and metal rods. She

also had some screws placed in her hip socket.

According to Conrow, she can walk with crutches, but it is hard to stand. She said her left knee is swollen up to about the size of a cantaloupe.

"Everyone at the College has really been supportive of me," she said. "I will probably be back to work in a couple weeks."

Conrow must return to see Dr. Burleigh Tuesday for a re-check.

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engineer of the city street department. "There is still some more right-of-way we need to get."

The city obtains right-of-way by sending an appraiser to look at each plot of land that needs to be purchased. Then a review appraiser is sent out to make sure the estimate was correct.

They then negotiate with each property owner and make them an offer on the strip of land they need.

There are about a dozen landowners who have property from Seventh Street to Newman Road.

"Most of the landowners have already sold their land," said Hertzberg. "There are some that haven't been able to decide yet on a price that is favorable."

According to Hertzberg, Missouri Southern donated the land needed to complete the project last spring because of the benefits it would bring to the College to have four-lane access.

Hertzberg expects the major road construction to begin next spring.

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Parking lot helps relieve frustrations

Parking on the Missouri Southern campus is a continuous problem, but some steps are being taken to alleviate the situation.

"Each and every semester, we have a lot more vehicles on the parking lots at the beginning of the semester than we do after the first six to eight weeks," said Wayne Johnston, director of safety and security. "The main school population comes to school between 8 a.m. and 9 a.m. After that, the main lots are full."

This semester, students have been parking on the grass in the main parking lot. Cars have also been parked along curbs in "no parking" areas.

"The fire department says it is illegal to park along the curbs in the parking lot," Johnston said. "If there was a fire, the trucks could not get through the lot."

"We can't put signs every 10 feet. Students should not assume they can park in areas that are not marked."

Alternatives to help ease the parking problem are being considered.

"Part of the problem may be that new freshmen have not been advised about the parking lots," Johnston said. "We are changing that through the admissions office. When students come to see about going to school here or to register, they are being told about the parking."

A new 400-car parking lot has been built behind the maintenance building near the biology pond. Although it is not yet paved, it is lighted and open for use.

"With the increase in the size of Matthews Hall, there will be more people at the west end of the campus," Johnston said. "I would like to encourage each and every student to go to that lot; the gravel lot near the stadium, or other lots when main lots are full. There is not one lot on the campus that is more than one-eighth to one-fourth mile from any building."

Johnston said it is imperative that students do not park on the grass or in "no parking" areas, visitor parking, handicapped parking, or in car pool areas.

"Attempts to park in these areas need to be rectified," he said. "To do so, we have to issue tickets. The policy is that cars can be towed. We have towed some, but do not want it to become a regular thing."

All student vehicles must be registered. Most parking violations are \$3 each. Parking tickets are issued at the beginning of the semester. They can be obtained at the security office in the police academy. The first sticker is issued free of charge, and each additional sticker is \$1.

"The reason for registering vehicles is so that in an emergency situation, we can locate the owner through the sticker," Johnston said. "The stickers were originally designed to help the student."

Temporary stickers are available at the security office if a student is driving a car other than the one normally driven to school. The temporary stickers are free. The office also provides handicapped stickers for temporarily or permanently handicapped students.

Dormitory students are not permitted to bring their cars on campus until 3 p.m., but if there is a need or special reason to have the car on campus, the student may contact the security office for permission. The police academy parking lot is available to dormitory students for overflow parking.

"The visitor spaces are designated for people doing business at the College," Johnston said. "Cars parked there may be ticketed or towed."

Parking spaces behind Hearnes Hall have been designated for visitor parking. "The larger area for visitors is not for students or faculty," Johnston said.

He stressed that the security office was not on campus just to issue tickets, but to provide a service as well.

"We can air up a flat tire, or unlock a car if the keys are left in it," he said. "If a student leaves his car lights on, we provide jumper-cable service. We are here 24 hours a day."

Dormitory resident assistants can get in touch with the security office at any time of the day or night if there is a problem. Johnston said students should report any vandalism, thefts, accidents, or injuries.

"If students have problems or questions, they should call security at 625-9391."



Water leak Students moving from their class to another Friday morning were surprised to learn that a water main had ruptured near the Billingsly Student Center. Water was shut off to all campus buildings for most of the morning until repairs could be made. (Chart photo by Rick Evans)

Tiede serves dual role at Southern

Juggling the responsibilities of two important positions at Missouri Southern is not an easy task.

Dr. John Tiede, currently serving as vice president for business affairs and dean of the school of business administration, replaced Dr. Paul Shipman as vice president in July when Shipman retired. Tiede, who has served as dean since 1982, will continue to serve in that capacity until a replacement is found.

"We've set up an arrangement to keep some of the difficulties to a minimum," he said.

Tiede spends mornings in the school of business and afternoons in the vice president's office.

"The only way I have been able to accomplish that is with a lot of help," Tiede said. "Mr. Sid Shouse, who is now controller, has been promoted to assistant vice president. I have been able to delegate a lot of the financial aspects to him. Mr. Howard Dugan, director of the physical plant, has taken over some additional duties. I use a lot of delegation to those two people."

In order to cut down on the number of people reporting to the vice president's office, the security and maintenance offices have been combined.

"It is part of the delegation—the main difference is that, at least for the next year, the director of security will report to Mr. Dugan, who will in turn report to me."

Tiede's job as vice president is to overlook the business and financial aspects of the College.

"I would like to be a facilitator instead of a dictator," he said. "Business and physical affairs is not an entity in itself. We're trying to provide education for the student, and this is really just a function of the College that has to be to facilitate that goal."

A search for a new dean for the business school will be underway soon, but it could take several months to find a replacement. Tiede will continue to wear both hats until a replacement is found.

"It depends on the response we have to a search," Tiede said. "We may get a lot of good candidates, and we will be able to make our selection. If it were someone on board or with some flexibility, they might be able to come on a relatively short notice."

"On the other hand, we might have to do an open search again and do research, or we might find someone out on campus who is committed for the whole academic year."

Faculty Senate seeks policy approval

Grievance policy discussion will begin at next Senate meeting

Approval of a grievance policy for Missouri Southern faculty will be a top priority for the Faculty Senate this year.

According to Senate President Lanny Ackiss, discussion of the grievance policy will begin at the next Senate meeting. The policy was tabled in the spring to allow faculty members more time to study the policy and voice their recommendations to Senate members.

"At the next meeting, we will begin considering the policy point by point," said Ackiss. "By the next meeting, I hope you will have polled your constituents. If we approve this policy, the faculty has spoken."

"There is a perception that we are put in a position of reacting instead of acting. The Senate is being held accountable by the faculty for action or lack of action. I hope the action will reflect the faculty's views. If it is voiceless (the Senate), it is the Senate's failure."

The grievance policy will be discussed by a Senate consisting of many new members. One-third of last year's senators ended three-year terms in the spring. The Senate is larger this year by one member. Due to the increase of faculty in the fine arts department, that department gained another Senate representative this year.

According to Ackiss, standing Senate committee rosters have been set. Chairmen for committees will be elected at the first committee meetings.

"My goal for next year is to facilitate the process of appointing standing committees," said Ackiss. "It is supposed to be done by July 1."

The Senate library committee has met twice this year to discuss a decrease in the library budget from \$375,000 last year to \$200,000 this year.

Monday was the deadline to submit academic policy proposals to the academic policies committee. Before the policies reach the Senate, they must go through two readings by the academic policies committee.

"Some faculty feel the role of the Senate is to rubberstamp policies," said Ackiss. "It is our responsibility to look at these proposals carefully. We are looking out for the good of the College as a whole, and the future programs of the school."

In an address to Faculty Senate members, College President Julio Leon stressed the importance of the group.

"There is a good feeling about our College in about every circle that is important to us," he said. "Those things don't happen unless good things are happening."

Leon said there may be a misconception about the degree of work done by the Senate.

"Important things have happened in the last few years," said Leon. "We have a new faculty evaluation policy. The grievance policy that the Faculty Senate said was not acceptable went back to the drawing board. Assessment of outcomes was passed on to the academic policies committee. To me, the Senate is very important—an important factor in why the College has the standing it has right now."

Former College teacher in hospital

Martha McCormick, professor emerita of mathematics at Missouri Southern, was hospitalized last week.

McCormick, 84, has recently experienced health problems which have restricted her activities. She was taken to a local hospital last Wednesday after becoming ill at her home.

A family spokesman said McCormick has undergone tests, but no specific illness has been diagnosed. The family has requested no visitors.

McCormick began teaching at the newly created Joplin Junior College in 1937 and taught until her retirement in 1972.

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Improvements coming slowly

Once again improvements are coming to Missouri Southern. Unfortunately, they seem to be coming very slowly.

The widening of Seventh Street from Rangeline to Duquesne Road will greatly benefit the College by making access to and from it much easier. Yet, it is the between time that is hard to accept for many Southern students, faculty, and staff who use the intersection.

The current condition of the intersection at Seventh and Duquesne is the main focus of the complaints. Sometimes improvement is hard to take, and this seems to be one of those times.

Traveling through the intersection can provide quite a dusty, bumpy ride for the unprepared driver. Those owning convertibles with bad shocks are advised to avoid the intersection or risk the cleanliness of their interior.

Yes, getting to school isn't the pleasurable experience it once was. But most people will agree that even with the current condition of the Seventh and Duquesne intersection, traffic is flowing much more smoothly.

Cars are no longer backed up all the way to the Turkey Creek bridge at lunchtime. The addition of the right and left turn lanes have eliminated these time-stealing problems.

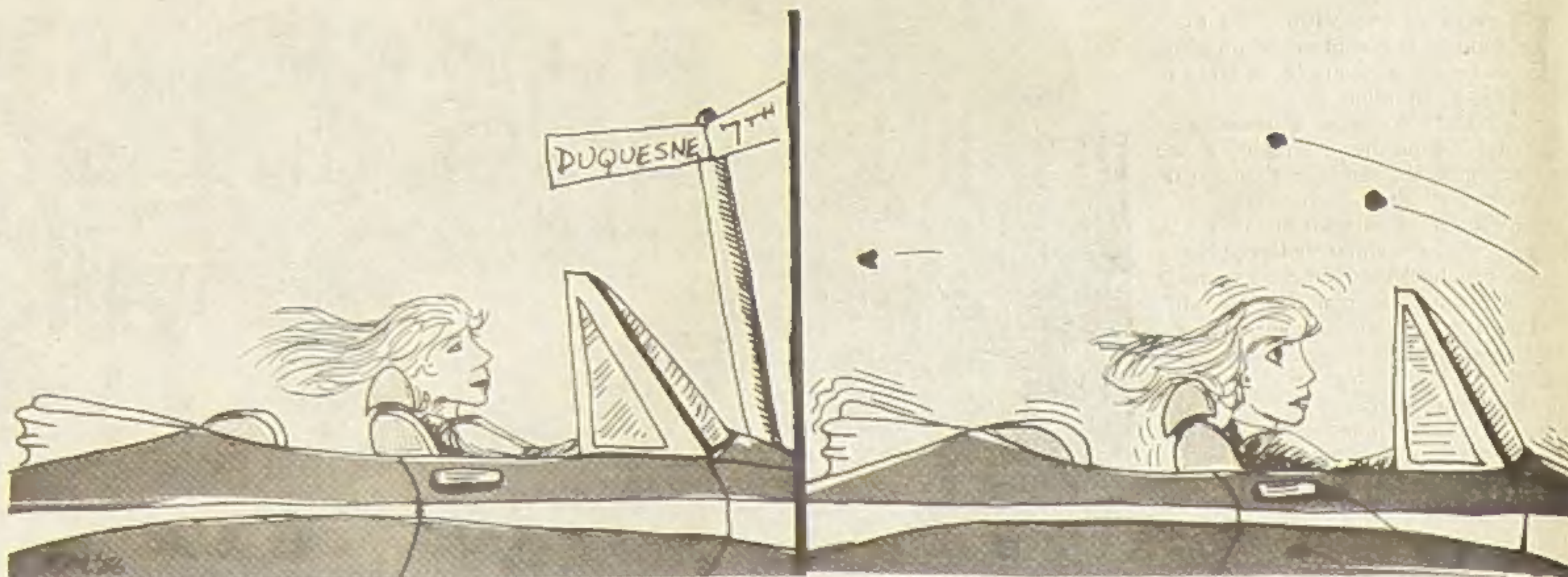
Although the ride through the intersection may be annoying now, one must try to remember the improvement that will soon come when the project is completed.

Fiesta's return wise decision

Returning Joplin's own Fall Fiesta to the streets of downtown proved to be a wise decision on the part of the Joplin Chamber of Commerce. The turnout dramatically increased over the figures from the last two years.

Having once been a popular annual event in the area, the festival was discontinued a number of years ago for reasons unknown. Three years ago the idea was revised, but met with little enthusiasm due to the fact that the location, as well as the weather, was poor. This year, however, the location was moved from the Joplin Industrial Park to Main Street, and the date was moved from mid-October to mid-September, increasing turnout dramatically over the last two years.

Since the primary point in having the festival is to draw attention to Joplin, it only made sense to move it to the downtown area. This year approximately 10,000 people came to the event from Joplin and surrounding areas. It is good that these people had the opportunity to experience the true atmosphere of Joplin while in the middle of it under sunny skies, not in a rainy park far removed from the nucleus of the town.



Editor's Column:

'Speechlessness' proves to be frustrating

By JoAnn Hollis
Managing Editor

Those who know me know that I am not often speechless, however, this last week has been a rare occasion. All last week I was sick and without a voice, or at least one worth speaking of.

Now it wasn't enough that I felt like I had been run over by a Mack truck, a primary mode of communication had been hampered and what did I get? Ridicule!

It usually started with, "What happened? Did you lose your voice?" No, I enjoy sounding like Minnie Mouse. What do these people think? Then the questions started. "Do you have the flu?" "Do you have a cold?" How should I know? I'm a communications student, not a doctor. "Does it hurt?" Of course it hurts.

And comments—everyone had a comment. For example, I was scurrying around the Crossroads office one morning when one of my teachers stuck his head in and said that he thought he had heard a mouse in the office. That's right, just call me squeaky.



After a day or two people began to get used to my "speechlessness." I would walk into a room, receive these pathetic looks, and the words, "Is it better?" All I could do was shake my head, squeak the word 'No,' and go on my way. Others would say, "Don't talk," as soon as they saw me. Right! I'm sure I'm going to just sit and stare at everyone blankly while all the action goes on around me. And these same people would inevitably ask me a question. Am I supposed to answer or just shrug my shoulders? I always chose to answer, and what response did I receive? It usually went like this, "What? I can't hear you. Speak up!" Now I found all this rather frustrating, but it got worse.

As one of my new activities this year I am teaching College Orientation. Have you ever tried to teach a class when you can't talk? My class found the situation quite humorous, but I did not. While I tried to get nearer to them so they could hear me talk, they shielded their faces and stepped back in fear of my communicable disease. I suddenly developed a great respect for teachers who can lecture for 50 minutes straight if all they have is a sniffle. Just as I have not enjoyed coughing through my classes, I have not enjoyed trying to teach orientation.

Sitting in class, that is another point. It was hard enough to concentrate on the lectures, because I was preoccupied with thoughts of how awful I felt and how I would like to go home and rest, but then somebody had to ask me a question. I tried

to answer, but the teacher usually silenced me and moved on to another student. (I should point out that this was not entirely bad, as I did not feel like studying much all week).

Although teaching class and sitting in class were not fun, my duties with *The Chart* were worse. Trying to conduct an interview in between coughs was rather embarrassing, answering the phone and having friends ask "JoAnn who?" after I stated my name was humiliating, but trying to accomplish anything in this office became maddening. You see, *The Chart* office is usually a very noisy, very busy place, especially right before the next issue is published, and communication is essential so that we can keep up on what has been done, what needs to be done, and what is happening where. Well, in order to communicate effectively you must be louder than all the other noise in the room. Obviously I was unable to do this. So what was I doing here? I became frustrated with the whole situation and very grumpy. People tend not take me very seriously.

And for all of you that either wanted to know what was wrong or insisted that I go to the doctor, I finally broke down and went. What did I get for my visit? A shot in the hip that painfully reminded me of its presence all day, a bottle of pills which I have to force down my sore throat, some nasty cough syrup, and the words "you have full-blown bronchitis." I hope you feel better because I sure don't.

In Perspective:

Communication skills necessary to interact

By Judy Stiles
Community Service Director, KXMS & MSTV

Part of our basic human nature is the need to interact and communicate with others.

We, of course, know this from everyday life. Here on the College campus, good communications are needed for the success of everyone involved. The classroom is not the only place where we need to know these skills to succeed. We also need to exercise these skills in tying together the College and the community.

Missouri Southern plays a key role in the Joplin area. The public has direct contact with Col-



lege activities, through sports, theatre, or other such presentations. On another level, Southern is highly visible and serves the community with the programming on MSTV and KXMS.

Even if you're not involved in any of these programs, you represent Missouri Southern on and off campus. Perhaps it is at your job, where your boss and co-workers know you are an MSSC student. Or, maybe it is through your neighborhood. Whichever way it is, you hold an important link to this community. If they see students in a good light, they most likely think better things about MSSC. In this manner, you play an important part in determining the community's image of Missouri Southern.

While going to college, it is often quite easy to find yourself involved with school activities and studying to the extent that you find yourself knowing very little about what is going on in the town around you. If you are from the Joplin area you

probably know a lot about this community. If your hometown is elsewhere this may not necessarily be the case. In both instances, however, you may discover a void when it comes to community involvement. As a student on this campus, you fill a dual role as a citizen in this community.

It is up to each individual to decide the best way to get involved. The key is to avoid spending four years in college, isolated from the rest of the community. Doing so may give the educational skills and knowledge needed to qualify for a job. But, it also deprives students the chance to develop skills that come into play later in life, through being a good citizen.

This involvement goes beyond making better individuals. By having students involved off campus as well as on campus, Missouri Southern can develop many of those vital communications links with the community.



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County officials attempt to 'weed out' marijuana

Walking one behind the other, the two men advance through the dense forest. The tree branches form a cave around them, blocking out the sun.

Then, up ahead, they spot it. The light at the end of the tunnel. The pot of gold at the end of the rainbow.

Depending upon the size of the haul, the men could bring in anywhere from \$1,000 to \$1 million.

Little do they realize a surprise is waiting for them along with the treasure.

Stepping out into the small clearing, the men shield their eyes from the sunlight and look out across their field. It was then they discovered what the surprise was.

It was the law.

When the two men began their initial journey, they knew of the risks that confronted them. Yet, they chose to gamble. And they lost.

Scenes such as this one are occurring more and more frequently in Southwest

Missouri. Relying on tips mainly from concerned citizens, lawmen throughout Jasper and Newton counties are attempting to crackdown on the state's unofficial number one cash crop: marijuana.

According to the latest statewide statistics, lawmen in 1986 have already brought in 397,036 marijuana plants, 75

or from hunters or fisherman," said Larry Parrill, chief deputy of Jasper County. "They just wander into it when they're out, and let us know."

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pounds of processed marijuana from 305 fields, and 35 firearms in marijuana-related incidents. There have also been 104 arrests made because of marijuana.

Overall, 516,472 pounds of marijuana have been confiscated this year at an estimated street value of \$330,398,600.

"We rely mainly on tips from farmers,

In order to have a profitable harvest, much work must go into caring for the plants. Fields must be weeded and fertilized, and also must be watered frequently. This is the reason for the stake-outs.

"Marijuana needs water and sunlight almost every day," Parrill said. "If we

watch it for a few days, chances are we will catch someone coming to water it."

According to Ron Doerge, chief deputy of Newton County, every effort is made to get the person responsible for the field in a position to be arrested.

"We have to act on tips, also," said Doerge. "We have limited manpower, but we do have two officers who devote 90 per cent of their time to this."

"If a field is found, one that is taken care of, we watch for them. We work with the highway patrol—they provide the manpower."

Both counties are also known to use aircraft for the detection of illegal crops.

"If we do get a tip, one man who is a pilot volunteers, and we work with the highway patrol in the air," said Parrill.

Newton County works in the air, also.

"We do take to the air concerning marijuana," said Doerge. "People know we are there."

According to the authorities, instead of

planting in large fields, the growers' plan now is to scatter the plants out over a large area.

"Now you find 10 plants here, and 100 plants there," Doerge said. "They are scattered all over."

Parrill has the same opinion.

"In the last couple of years, we are not finding many large patches," he said. "We find them scattered about, usually close to a water source, like a river or pond."

After a patch has been "busted," police officers move in and seize the plants.

Sometimes the plants are just cut down, and other times the entire root system is pulled up. Either way, the plant will not grow back.

The marijuana is then taken into custody, and held until a court order is submitted to burn it. Every ounce is taken in and documented.

"People don't see the whole picture," said Doerge. "We just get the tip of the iceberg."

Growers now starting to harvest crop

Marijuana operation ready to end after starting in March or April

Going from a small seed to a 12-foot plant involves a great deal of work. A seed tossed here and a seed tossed there will not cut it. It takes more than that.

Just as much time is spent with a field of marijuana as with a field of wheat. And today, the "marijuana farmer" stands to make more money than the wheat farmer.

According to Larry Parrill, chief deputy of Jasper County, now is the prime time for the harvesting of marijuana.

"We found a 12-footer the other day, and it was ready," Parrill said. "Some have already been harvested."

In order to reach harvesttime, the operation must begin in March or April, usually after the last freeze.

The process of growing marijuana begins with the germination of seeds taken from tops of marijuana plants.

According to one Webb City police officer, the seeds are taken and placed in a jar with a damp paper towel. They are then placed in a dark place, under a bed or in the back of a closet, until shoots appear. When the shoots appear, the germination process is complete.

After this stage, the planting stage is

next.

According to Parrill, the seeds are taken and planted in individual flower pots until they grow into plants about eight to 10 inches tall. They are then transplanted from the pot to the soil.

"When they are transplanted, a big hole is dug, and the soil in the flower pot is placed into the hole," he said. "The rest of the hole is filled in with peat moss and fertilizers."

Ron Doerge, chief deputy of Newton County, told of a different method.

"The seeds are broadcast everywhere," he said, "thinking some will take root. That way they might grow wild. People see them and say it's wild hemp, but it's not. That's a bunch of garbage."

Much care is taken to see that a profitable harvest lies in the future.

"We find cleaned-out areas with mulch, peat moss, fertilizers, areas that have been weeded, and places that are finely manicured," said Parrill. "To be good plants, they must have a good foundation."

Just what is a good plant? Basically, a good plant is a female plant.

"You don't want male plants," said

Doerge. "The females are more productive."

Females also contain a higher concentration of tetrahydrocannabinol (THC). This is what causes the marijuana "high" or intoxication.

"The female plant is real bushy and potty," Parrill said. "The male plants are skinny and scrawny and low in acidity and THC level."

Altogether, there are 421 chemicals in marijuana, and the number increases to over 2,000 when it is smoked. Of the 421 found in marijuana, 111 are considered cannabinoids, and are present in no other plant.

All cannabinoids that have been researched to date are biologically active. This means they can alter the normal functions of any living organism. One may not feel these alterations, but they are occurring at a cellular level.

The potency of marijuana is determined by the THC content. The higher the content, the more intoxicating and harmful it becomes. Marijuana grown and sold today is up to 10 times more potent than that used prior to 1970.



Cultivating the substance is a felony

Growing marijuana in Missouri can bring five- to 15-year sentence

Marijuana: it can be the high point and the low point of a person's life.

The high point is obvious. It's the low point most people forget.

Even though states such as California and Oregon have decriminalized marijuana, in Missouri it is still a misdemeanor, and in some cases, a felony for possessing, selling, or growing marijuana.

"Growing marijuana in the state of Missouri is considered a felony," said Larry Parrill, chief deputy of Jasper County. "Cultivating a controlled substance can bring you five to 15 years."

According to Parrill, if the law can prove the crop is for selling, it carries a higher penalty.

If one is "busted" for possession, anything under 35 grams (one ounce is approximately 28 grams) is considered a misdemeanor. Anything over 35 grams is a felony. According to Parrill, 35 grams has an estimated street value of anywhere from \$50 to \$500, depending on the quality.

The low point of marijuana goes even further than just problems with the law.

"Marijuana is the cash crop for harder drugs," said Ron Doerge, chief deputy of Newton County. "It serves as a base for buying and selling other drugs. It serves a supporting role. It leads to worse and harder drugs."

According to Doerge, in a recent undercover operation that ran for eight months, "We found cocaine to be more accessible than marijuana. Cocaine was actually easier to obtain."

"We tend to think of pot growers as

good ol' boys," he said. "People think the best of them, and the worse of the police. TV and movies portray everything backwards. They can mess you up."

One prime example is the booby-trapping and guarding of marijuana fields.

According to Parrill, there are many different ways of booby-trapping a field. Some methods are putting wires with tin cans tied to them across a path, or placing trip wires on paths that release tree branches. Fish hooks tied on invisible wire at face level, and various types of armed

guards may also be present.

Doerge, too, encountered a booby-trap on one mission, but said there are not many in this area.

"Booby-traps are rare here," he said. "But I saw a wire stretched out across a path about six inches off the ground. I followed it to a condenser and found out it was an electrical wire that was completely stripped. It was meant for an officer."

"Some guys play hardball. It is a sophisticated operation."

"Our officers have a real concern. It is our policy to be cautious and careful. We work hard to protect the innocent, as well as the ones we're after."

Doerge takes a strong stand against drug users in Newton County, and has stories that back up his dislike for the substance.

"I had a girl die in my arms," he said. "Her husband was drinking and smoking joints and attacked her. She had 11 stab wounds, slashes, gashes—to watch her die—that scene—that's why I take such a strong stand. When you see dead people, you can't help but take a hard stand."

"We are not out to bust someone's happy home," Doerge said, "but it is illegal. There is a saying that goes: 'Don't do the crime if you don't want to do the time.'"

Persons wanting to inform the authorities of any evidence concerning the growing of marijuana should telephone 1-800-BAD-WEED. The Missouri highway patrol will take the calls, then investigate the report.



Uprooted plant: This 12-foot plant was discovered by authorities near Cassville.

College professor encounters hidden plot

One day while doing a biological study on Center Creek, a Missouri Southern instructor found himself in an undesirable situation.

"I was in the process of selecting sampling stations for a reptile and amphibian study of Center Creek," said Wayne Stebbins, assistant professor of biology, "and I happened to come across a plot of marijuana. It was a real secluded area, completely hidden from the road."

Center Creek is located just west of Joplin in Jasper County.

According to Stebbins, he recognized the plants as marijuana and noticed they were being cared for. Before he could leave the scene, two men were running toward him.

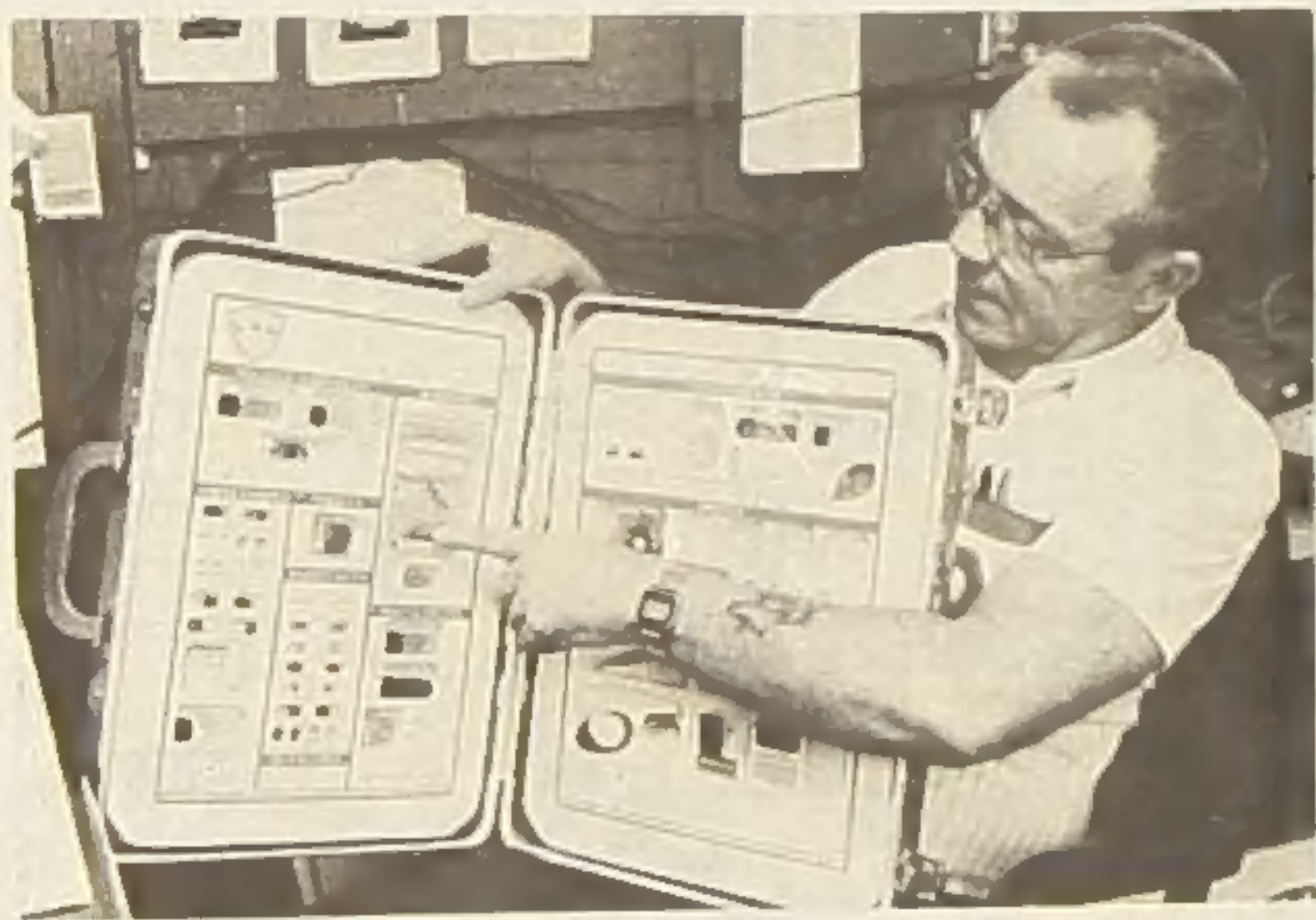
"They definitely had been watching me," he said. "They had binoculars, and one of them had a gun. It was a pistol, and he had it tucked in his belt. It was very visible."

The two men thought Stebbins was a lawman, and he had to convince them he was not.

"They finally did believe me," he said. "But, they took my name and address and told me if the plants were destroyed, they would come after me."

"The hair stood up on the back of my neck," said Stebbins. "It was getting dark, and my car was about a half-mile away. As I walked away, I was real apprehensive about making it back to my car."

Stebbins estimated the field to be 80 feet by 100 feet, with the plants being about a foot tall.



(Top) Emmett McFarland, Webb City chief of police, displays his kit of sample drugs. McFarland uses the kit when lecturing to students about drug abuse. (Above) An aerial view of a cultivated marijuana patch in Southwest Missouri. (Top photo by JoAnn Hollis; above photo provided by Larry Parrill, Jasper County chief deputy.)

Stories by Mark Ernstmann

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Campus Crusade for Christ

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Wednesday
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Koinonia

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Career Fair will be
held on the third floor
of BSC. Open to all
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Weird science

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Inter-denominational group offers fellowship

By Tom Billings
Staff Writer

Koinonia offers students an opportunity to join an inter-denominational group of Christians in "fellowship."

"Koinonia is the Greek word for fellowship," said Matt Stafford, campus minister. "We are a group of Christians devoted to discipling and evangelizing Southern's campus."

The group is supported by several local Christian churches. College Heights Christian Church provides an office for Koinonia as well as a place to meet for Tuesday night Bible studies.

Dr. Charles Thelen, the group's

advisor, said Koinonia is a recognized group among campus organizations, and therefore may use school facilities when necessary.

Chi Alpha, Campus Crusade, and the Baptist Student Union are all active Christian organizations on campus as well.

"Christian groups are by no means dull," says Stafford.

Some of Koinonia's many activities include a nursing home ministry, a prison ministry, and involvement in various forms of recreation. It also provides lunch each Thursday for interested

students.

In addition, Koinonia participates in fall, winter, and spring retreats which may vary in location from the Colorado Rockies to the Lake of the Ozarks. According to Stafford, the retreats are "really great because friendships develop with students from other colleges."

A commitment to the Bible is the core of the organization. Once a week, Koinonia meets for in-depth studies of prevalent topics and seeks answers directly from the Bible. Topics this semester range from "Is God Really There?" to "Practical Christian Living." Guest speakers make frequent appearances to ad-

dress such subjects as "Cults" and "Foundations for Faith."

The meetings are casual and friendly. With chairs arranged in a horseshoe configuration, the students begin the meeting by singing praises and talking about exciting experiences they have had that week. At the conclusion of the Bible study or guest speaker's address, refreshments are served. Sometimes the group tops off the night with a vigorous game of volleyball in the College Heights gymnasium.

"I really enjoy the people," said Stafford, who moved to southwest Missouri from Texas to attend

Ozark Christian College. After his graduation in two years, he wants to be a missionary overseas.

Koinonia also has some ambitious plans. In two weeks, the group will be participating in a retreat at Lake Pomme de Terre. The group is also planning a mission trip to Haiti this summer.

"We are not just confined to Missouri Southern," says Stafford. "The whole world is our mission field."

Koinonia meets at 6 p.m. each Tuesday at College Heights for an hour of prayer, and then again at 7 p.m. for the regular meeting.

Organization names officers

Eight members will serve as judges for 'Wing-A-Thon'

College students interested in pursuing a career in business might consider joining the "Business Connection," Phi Beta Lambda.

This organization, which is open to all business and computer science majors, has seven main goals or purposes:

- To develop competent, aggressive business leadership.

- To strengthen the confidence of students in themselves and their work.

- To create more interest in and understanding of the American business enterprise.

- To develop character, prepare for useful citizenship, and foster patriotism.

- To encourage and practice efficient money management.

- To assist students in the establish-

ment of occupational goals.

- To facilitate the transition from school to work.

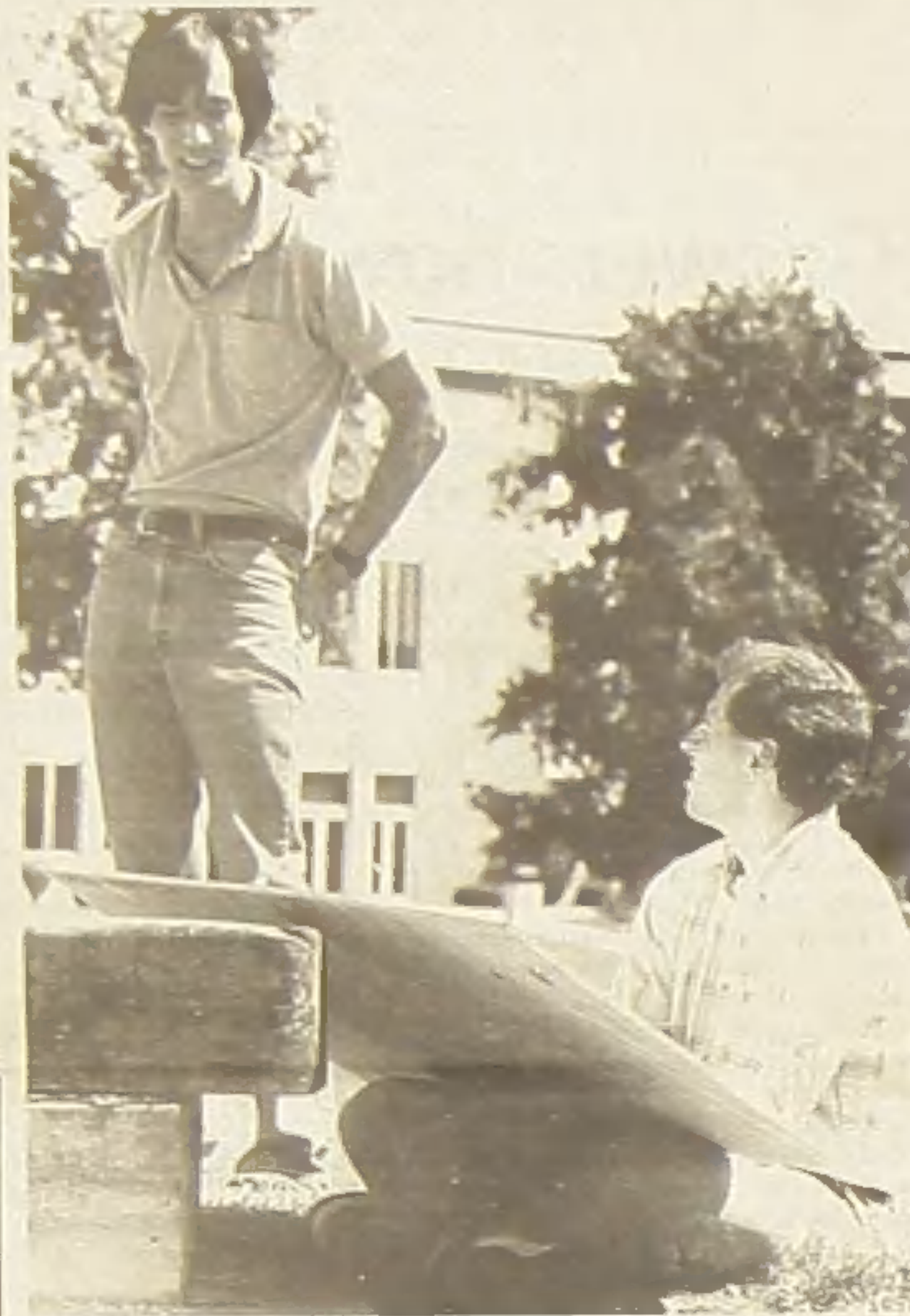
PBL has held two general meetings. At the Aug. 28 meeting it discussed new business, and at the Sept. 11 meeting new officers were elected for the fall and spring semesters. The new 1986-87 officers include Steve Bryant, president; Mike Searly, vice president; Joyce Lee, treasurer; Jill Hansen, secretary; and Susan Hines, historian and reporter. Dr. Beverly Culwell is PBL advisor, with assistance coming from Karen Bradshaw and Lynne Rusley.

Eight members of the organization will serve as judges at the March of Dimes "Wing-A-Thon" from 12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at the Northpark Mall. PBL members will also participate in

the March of Dimes "Walk America" this spring.

"Our goal for PBL this year is to increase the number of people competing at the State Leadership Conference in April," said Culwell. "Hopefully this will result in more individuals winning their competitive event, which would allow them to represent Missouri Southern at the national competition in Anaheim, Calif., this summer."

The next meeting will be held Thursday, Sept. 25 in Room 313 of the Billingsly Student Center. Students wanting to become a member or wanting to receive more information may contact one of the PBL advisers or attend the next meeting.



Watches
closely

Instructor Ed Wong-Ligda watches Mark Cole at work during an outdoor session of his watercolor class. (Chart photo by Rick Evans)

Students elect 36 senators

Increases in student voting led to the election of 36 new senators. Voting was up from last year as 10 per cent of full-time students opted to vote.

Elected seniors include Joe Brauburger, Connie Everitt, Jennell Fredrick, Nick Harvill, Tresa Ryan, and LaNita Wilhelm. Rick Berg, Shaun LePage, and Brent Souter were elected by write-in votes.

New junior senators include Mike Jones, Bev Mayfield, David Morton, Jennifer Tinsley, Kim Vest, and Tony Wilson. Written in were Laura Cates, Terry Honeyball, and Colon Kelly.

Newly elected sophomores are Michael Couch, Mary Floyd, Staci Floyd, Mike Garoutte, Todd Good, Rod Haynes, Rob Luther, Mark Mulik, and Robert Stokes.

New freshman senators are Maggie Burdick, Brent Clark, Patrick Creech, Mike Daugherty, Dawn Ehrenberg, Chad Grider, Alan McGowne, Jeff Morrissey, and Jeff Turner.

The Student Senate will hold its first meeting at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Billingsly Student Center. Senators will be sworn in at this time.

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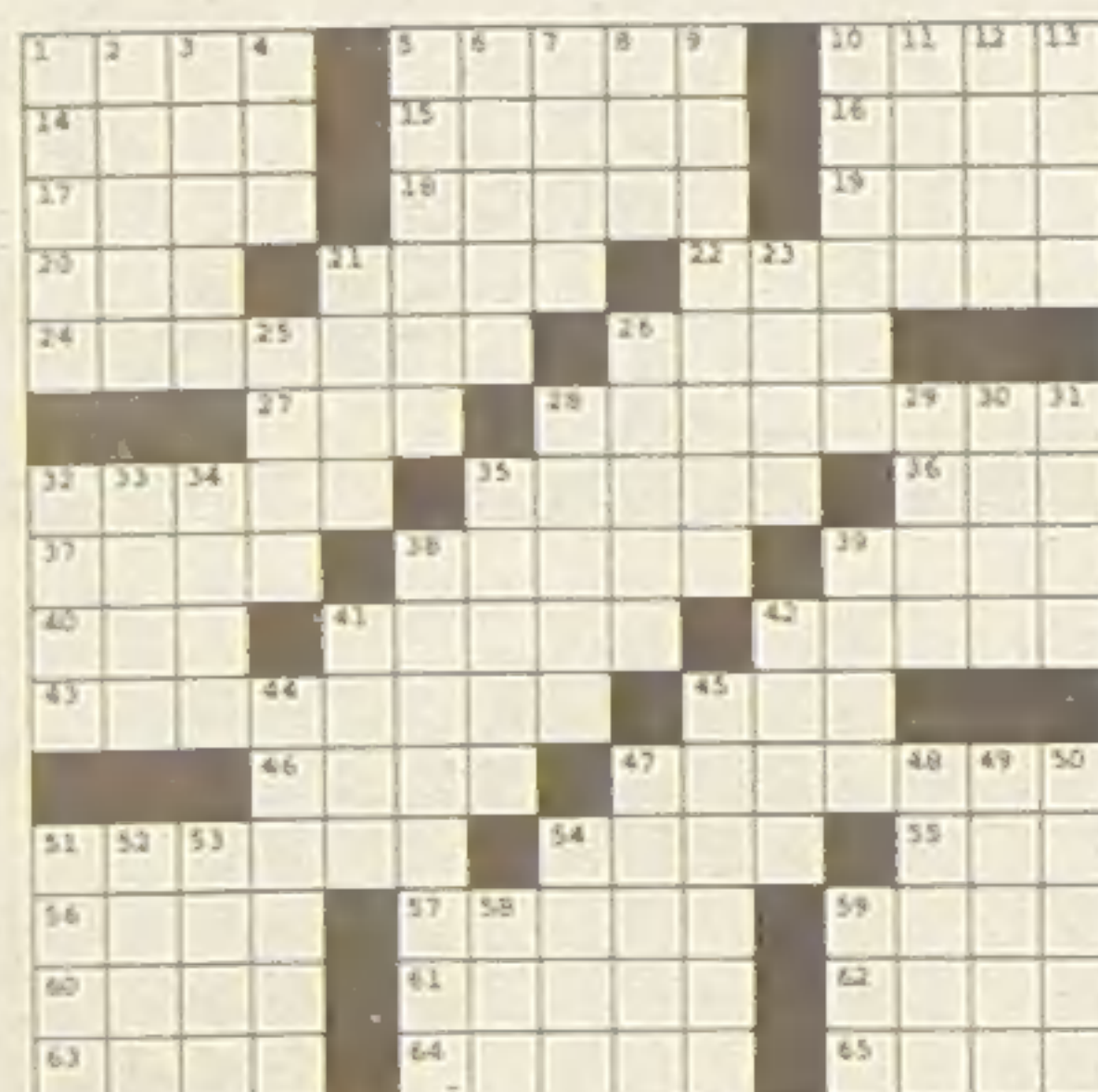
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Young Artist Studio
10 a.m. Saturday
Spiva Art Center

'Limelight'
with Charlie Chaplin
7:30 Tuesday
Connor Ballroom

Art Exhibit
'Elements: Paper,
Color, & Brush'
Sept. 28
Spiva Art Center



Blue Bamboo
Music Fest '86'
Sept. 20-21
McClelland Park



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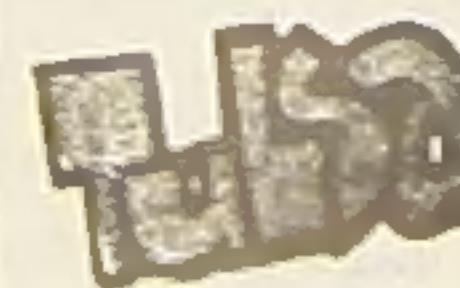
Earl Thomas Conley
Ozark Mountain
Amphitheatre
Sept. 27
334-7272

'Music and
the Magic'
Mid-America Singers
Oct. 19
Springfield
Art Museum
887-8161



Lionel Richie
with Sheila E.
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Kemper Arena

'Higher Love'
Stevie Winwood
Oct. 2
Starlight Theatre



Huey Lewis
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Oct. 2
Maybee Center

American
Impressionist
Phillips Collection
Sept. 14
through Oct. 26
Phil Brook Art Center
749-7941

'A unique experience'

Christensen heads art department for fall

By Cheryl Boyd
Arts Editor

Replacing Jon Fowler during his semester sabbatical, Val Christensen has been named acting head of the art department for the fall semester.

"It's a unique experience," said Christensen, director of the Spiva Art Center. "Usually the chairman grows into the job. But since I am taking over only for a brief time, I am cut off from that process. I am still uncertain just exactly what duties I will cover."

Christensen said as acting head he must come up with short-term solutions and stay away from situations that pre-date his taking over as chairman.

"Mainly I am here to handle problems that arise concerning the faculty and students that must be dealt with immediately," he said.

According to Christensen, the practice of taking a sabbatical has been handed down through the Bible's Deuteronomy law. It is traditional for faculty to take off the seventh year of teaching to expand their knowledge through travel and research in their specific field of study. It helps to regain creativity which can be lost from "teacher burn-out."

"It is a long process to obtain a sabbatical," he said. "You must make application and have it reviewed before the Board [of Regents] grants one. It is becoming a rare happening."

Fowler has taken the semester off to research and explore the medium

of sculpture to a concentrated fashion that time does not allow for during a regular semester of teaching.

"He hopes to get back in touch with his extensive creative forces," said Christensen, "focusing his energies inward instead of outward. When he returns to the classroom, he can reflect this to his students. After 15 years of teaching, he felt this was something he needed."

Christensen said although this was the first time he has had full responsibility for a department, he did share responsibility of the art department at Hastings (Neb.) College while the chairman took a sabbatical.

At Hastings Christensen's regular duties included instructing drawing, art history, art appreciation, and print making. He also taught print making as an interim instructor at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

According to Christensen, taking over for Fowler is like "trying to put on three hats at the same time."

"There is an overlapping in responsibilities of being classroom instructor, the department head, and director of the Spiva Art Center," he said.

"The only problem so far has been the reorganization. There was a bit of confusion at registration because the ceramics and sculpture classes had to be closed down for lack of money to move them. However, the senior studio usually taught by Jon will be taught by a part-time instructor."



Temporary head

Val Christensen, director of Spiva Art Center, is filling in as head of the art department this fall while Jon Fowler completes a sabbatical. Christensen says the job is "like trying to put on three hats at once." (Chart photo by Rick Evans)

Film Society begins season

Opening its 25th year, the Missouri Southern Film Society will present *Limelight* at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Connor Ballroom of the Billingsly Student Center.

Starring in his last American film, Charlie Chaplin plays Calvero, an elderly music hall musician, who was once a star but has now fallen on hard times.

Because of his hard times he feels he no longer has the ability to move audiences to laughter.

Calvero saves a beautiful young ballerina, played by Claire Bloom, from suicide. As he rekindles her eagerness for life, he guides her to success as a ballerina.

Although a stage routine with Buster Keaton makes Calvero realize he has not lost his art and is not a failure, as he watches from the wings his young protegee take her turn in the limelight, he realizes his time is past.

According to Harrison Kash, director of the Society, the 1952 film suffered because of Chaplin's unpopularity in the political climate in the U.S. at the time.

"*Limelight* was a great success everywhere else in the world," said Kash. "It grossed more than any other of his films. Chaplin quickly withdrew it from distribution here."

In 1974 the film returned when Chaplin was honored by the Hollywood Academy.

In spite of setbacks, *Limelight* ended up on the *New York Times* "10 best films lists" for 1952.

Season tickets for the Film Society's program are \$11 for adults or \$4 for senior citizens and students.

Single admission price is \$1.50 for adults or \$1 for senior citizens and students.

Pianist achieves lifetime in 32 years

By Lisa Snyder
Staff Writer

What some musicians hope to accomplish in a lifetime, Clive Swansbourne has achieved in a short 32 years.

Born in south-section London, Swansbourne, assistant professor of music at Missouri Southern, has been devoted to music since age 12.

He attended the Royal College of Music in London for five years, then went on to the Yale School of Music for three years.

He was critically acclaimed by Claude Frank, professor at Yale, as "An extremely compelling pianist with great authority, thorough musical intelligence, eloquence, and a brilliant technique."

His teaching experience includes the Kent Music School in England, a piano assistantship at Yale, the University of Northern Iowa, Iowa State University, the University of Iowa, the University of Houston, London Study Program, Briar Cliff College in Iowa, Kean College in Portland, Ore., Occidental College in Los Angeles, and the University of Washington-Seattle.

He has received many prizes and awards, including one gold and two silver medals in 1981 at the International Piano Recording Competition. He received the Young Musicians Award in 1977 in London,

and his performance at the First International Piano Competition of Japan was selected for release on a commercial disc.

As a performer, Swansbourne has had a live performance broadcast on WQXR, New York, and recitals broadcast on BBC and many U.S. radio stations.

Among a long list of performances are two at Carnegie Hall.

"It's always difficult playing for New York critics who are notoriously severe, but I felt after initial nerves that things went very well," Swansbourne says of the Carnegie Hall recitals.

Swansbourne will be giving a recital at 8 p.m. on Oct. 28 in Taylor Auditorium, where he will be playing the works of Bach, Schubert, Rachmaninoff, and Messiaen. He previously performed this recital at a music camp sponsored by members of the Philadelphia Orchestra in up-state New York.

Don A. Metivier of the *New York Post-Star* said of the performance, "This young man is obviously a giant talent at the key board and is typical of the world class artists. Luzerne has become known for in its short history. He is a powerful player, yet can play with tremendous sensitivity when the music demands it. Perhaps the greatest tribute to his performance was that no one left to seek relief from the

smothering heat, but stayed until the last note and then begged for an encore."

Swansbourne chose to teach at Missouri Southern because the job enables him to travel and perform in different parts of the U.S.

"The job gives me a lot of pioneering opportunities in a young piano department," he said, "to build it up, recruit, and mold it in my own fashion. Usually, you don't have much input into the life of a department."

"There is an encouragingly high level of musical intelligence to work with," he added.

He looks forward to a fruitful relationship with the College, and will be actively trying to recruit students by introducing them to the "unlimited treasures of piano literature."

Swansbourne enjoys literature, chess, racquetball, visual arts, and the cinema.

"You can always find things in something you like, but you can't always find a chess opponent," Swansbourne said.

"Try to find out what makes you happiest and don't let anybody stop you in pursuing it," is his philosophy of life. "Don't give up until you get it, but don't step on anyone's toes in the process."

Opener features famous violinist

Joplin Community Concert Association kicks off season Oct. 7

At 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 7 in Taylor Auditorium, the Joplin Community Concert Association will begin its 1986-87 season.

The Kashkashian-Mitchell-Martin Trio will open the season. Kim Kashkashian, violinist for the trio, has received world-wide critical acclaim with the *New York Times* praising her "rich, mellow, timbre, impressive artistry, accuracy of pitch, and fullness of tone."

It also praised Emily Mitchell, a trio member who won the Grand Prize in the International Harp Competition in 1979, saying "The first thing one noticed was her mature, intuitive musicianship; her grasp of style, her ability to mold long phrases. In short, Miss Mitchell is a marvelous harpist."

The third member, Marya Martin, is the winner of the 1979 Young

Concert Artists International Auditions. The flutist made her debuts at 92nd Street "Y" in New York and at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C.

At 8 p.m. on Feb. 12 the Community Concert Association will present the Royal Swedish Chamber Orchestra featuring Young Uck Kim, violinist.

The orchestra, which was founded in 1970, is composed primarily of young soloists. It is directed by Mats Liljefors.

Kim, at age 37, performs regularly with leading orchestras in U.S. and in Europe. In addition, he tours the Far East with orchestras including the New York Philharmonic and the Philadelphia Orchestra.

A concert for jazz lovers is scheduled for March 19, with the Dukes of Dixieland to perform.

The six-member ensemble from

New Orleans will present a distinctive blend of traditional Dixieland, pop and innovative jazz stylings.

The orchestra season will be topped off April 28 with a performance from Peter Nero, music director for the Philly Pops since 1979.

Nero receives both praise and acclaim as conductor, arranger, and pianist. He has received eight Grammy nominations and two Grammy awards. His theme for "Summer of '82" turned gold.

Missouri Southern students may attend all concerts free with student ID's. Season memberships are available for other interested persons.

More information may be obtained by contacting Rhonda White, Rt.5, Box 67, Joplin, or Southern's music department.

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Experience in foreign country helps Butler

By Todd Graham
Chart Reporter

When Mary Butler was four, her parents were forced to leave the country. The family didn't return for 13 years.

Butler, assistant professor of English at Missouri Southern, returned to the United States in 1963 to attend college.

Butler was born in Los Angeles, but moved with her parents to Mexico City. They lived there for 10 years before moving to Italy, where she finished high school.

"My parents were about to get a subpoena to appear before the House Committee on Un-American Activities," she said. "They had two choices: either tell on their friends, or go to jail. So they decided to leave the country."

Butler's parents were Hollywood screenwriters. This was the time that Sen. McCarthy had started to prosecute anyone suspected of being associated with communism.

"They were making test runs out of people from Hollywood," she said. "The question they would ask was this one: Are you going to have your ever

been a member of the Communist Party?"

Butler said her parents had been members of the Communist Party, but that was not so unusual.

Her parents were then blacklisted from working in Hollywood. It was in 1950 the family moved to Mexico City.

"My parents kept on writing in Mexico, under an assumed name," she said. "This was so amazing; my father couldn't even put his name on a movie done in Mexico."

Butler said her grandfather was also a screenwriter. He would assist Butler's mother by letting her work on his scripts under an assumed name. Butler said her grandfather not only had been forced to leave the country, but was "almost a Republican."

While Butler enjoyed growing up in Mexico, it was difficult from time to time. Butler said her family was spied on while in Mexico.

"My mother told me never to tell my friends what my father did for a living," Butler said. "There was always a fear."

While schooling in Mexico, Butler's day was divided. She would study in

English the first half of the day, then in Spanish for the second half. This made it difficult to relate to American history.

Just before the family was to leave for Italy, an article appeared in *U.S. News and World Report* which mentioned her father's name as being involved with an underground railway in Cuba. She said her father, Hugo Butler, was not involved, but the magazine was quoting a senator in a speech, so it was immune from prosecution.

The magazine article, plus the fact that the Mexican film industry was not doing well, made things tough on the family. Then her father was hired to write a motion picture in Italy, so the family moved to Rome.

It was in Rome where Butler graduated from high school in 1963. In Rome she attended an English school.

By the early part of the 1960s, the Hollywood blacklist had been broken, and the family was ready to move back to the United States. So Butler's parents moved back to Los Angeles while she enrolled at Harvard.

Butler said her experience in foreign

countries helped her get through her entrance examinations.

"One of the categories on the S.A.T. was Spanish. Since I lived in Mexico, I did very well on that part."

She received her bachelor of arts degree in English from Harvard in 1969. From 1969-1971 she attended California-Irvine, where she received her master of fine arts degree in creative writing. From 1971-79 she attended Stanford, where she received her doctorate in English literature.

Butler taught a few colleges part-time before learning of an opening at Southern. In the fall of 1985 she applied for the position, and was interviewed in January 1986.

"Southern has a much calmer atmosphere than the big universities I have been at," she said. "I am very happy to be here. I really enjoy the classes and the students."

Butler says she likes Joplin, and was pleasantly surprised by the weather. She said she would like to stay at Southern as long as possible.

"I really like the English department, and most of the people in it have a good sense of humor," she said.



Enjoys humor

Mary Butler, assistant professor of English, enjoys the sense of humor that her fellow instructors have and hopes to stay at Southern as long as possible. (Chart photo by Rick Evans)

Research in nonverbal communication life goal

Yocum enjoys outdoors, reading, family time, and hobby of raising black angus cattle

By Sherry Winningham
Chart Reporter

Raising purebred black angus cattle can be a man's job, but also a woman's hobby.

"Not many women have a hobby like mine," said Dr. Karolyn Yocum, visiting professor of communications at Missouri Southern.

Yocum shares her family farm, near Anderson, with her mother, two daughters, and a mare called "Tattoo."

"I love the outdoors and enjoy canoeing, camping, and vacationing in the mountains," she said.

While indoors, Yocum reads books dealing with her profession and watches *The Golden Girls* on television. "Besides that," she said, "I just enjoy spending time with my family."

Yocum received a bachelor of science and a master of science degree from Pittsburg State University. She received her education specialist degree from Central Missouri State University and her Ph.D. from Ohio State University. Before coming to Southern, Yocum taught in a laboratory high school and

in the communication department at CMSU. As director of forensics there, she traveled to the east coast.

Earlier, she taught at Crawford County Community High School in Arma, Kan.

Yocum's work in women's studies at CMSU focused attention on women being diverse in society. She is interested in women becoming financially independent through entrepreneurship.

"I am strong in women's rights, especially in the work place," she said. "My interests lie in regard to people's perception of women, especially professional women."

Yocum has done extensive work in the field of communications.

"My major goal is a program for the development of communication competencies for public schools in the state of Missouri for grades K-12," she said.

A two-year research project on the program is complete and published.

Yocum would like to see communication skills added to reading and writing. She said skills are fundamental.

"The old myths need to be destroyed," she said. "One myth is that people who speak know how to communicate. Another is that because the ear hears, we listen."

Yocum said deficiencies need to be improved in oral communication.

"We are approximately eight years behind other states," she said.

At Southern, Yocum teaches oral communication, interpersonal communication, and small group communication. She says forensics is her main interest.

Yocum has followed the history of Southern. She says the people are friendly and the staff supportive.

"The campus is charming and well-planned," she said.

Yocum said a basic lack of trust in society affects the way people communicate.

"We do not take time to see if we can trust," she said. "We are an immature culture. We do not take time to make meaning out of a relationship."

Yocum said intimacy is misconstrued as sex, but is instead a result of mature relationship.

"Most cultures touch more," she said. "We avoid it. Older people who have pets and touch live longer."

Yocum said there is richness in the diversity of human experience.

"We are bigoted, biased, sexist, and prejudiced," she said. "We do not allow people the freedom to be what they want to be. People are shallow."

The research and in-depth study of nonverbal communication is Yocum's goal.

"We want the study to be specific and add breath and knowledge," she said.

Yocum's advice to students is to get as much education as possible.

"Take part in constructive activities to make you feel good about yourself," she said. "Always count the cost, but stand up for what is right."

Yocum said there should be balance between work and play.

"Live up to your full potential as individuals," she said. "There is nothing more important than what is of value to a person. Each to his own."



Visiting professor

Dr. Karolyn Yocum is a visiting professor of communications this year at Missouri Southern. She previously taught at Central Missouri State University. (Chart photo by Rick Evans)

Winn returns to teaching after holding variety of jobs

Instructor of mathematics sees herself as a 'people teacher' not just a math teacher

By Erik Schrader
Staff Writer

While this may be Marcella Winn's first year at Missouri Southern, teaching has been in her blood all her life.

"I was a teacher wherever I was," said the mathematics instructor. "I remember when I was a child I used to teach my brother and sister how to do different things."

Winn has left the teaching profession previously, but feels her job was still the same.

"I see myself as a teacher, a leader, wherever I am," she said. "I try to help other people help themselves. Whatever I do I am still teaching."

She also believes that teaching involves more than teaching students textbook material.

"I do not see myself as a math teacher," Winn said. "I see myself as a people teacher. I enjoy logical thinking

and I enjoy showing people the logical way to do something. I am a teacher who just happens to enjoy mathematics."

While this is her first year teaching at the college level, Winn is not intimidated by Southern's size. The high school she taught at for over a decade had an enrollment of 5,000.

As a teacher there, Winn took an active role by sponsoring the cheerleaders, organizing a mathematics activity day, and developing a program for the gifted that was held up by the state for all other schools to emulate.

"It was not a traditional class," she said. "The idea was to broaden the students' horizons. Each student would have his or her own individual project that was to be done outside of school. We would also discuss controversial movies and so on."

In 1981 Winn left her St. Louis position, headed across the state to Neosho,

and took over as manager of the Drury Inn.

"I needed a break, a change," she said. "It is good for teachers to get out into the real world. It helps them keep things relative to the classroom."

Winn's break lasted until 1983, when family illness made the 24-hour demands of hotel management too much for her to handle. At that time she began teaching at Neosho High School. Her tenure there only lasted two years before she left, citing "philosophical differences."

She then went to work in business and professional sales at Evelyn Wood. After a year at that post she left to take her present position at Southern, a move she has not regretted.

"I am impressed with the friendliness, and I like the school's philosophy concerning students," she said. "They try to make for each student individually when many colleges force the student to mold himself to the col-

lege."

Winn feels the most enjoyable aspect of teaching is what happens after her students leave the classroom.

"I enjoy the continuity, seeing them succeed," she said. "I remember in St. Louis there was one boy who was outstanding at math and science, but he was so quiet. I told him 'If you do not toot your own horn then no one else will do it for you.' He went on to be a big success. It is so nice to have them come back and say thank you."

And with an enjoyable job in pleasant surroundings, Winn seems to have found a home.

"I am a country girl," she said. "I had to get out of the big city and I love it here. I built an underground home in Neosho and that is where I plan on being."



First year

New to Southern, instructor of mathematics, Marcella Winn. (Chart photo by Rick Evans)

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Fall Fiesta attracts young and old alike to downtown Joplin



(Clockwise from top) A Fall Fiesta visitor tries to win an old Chevrolet, donated by a local radio station, by guessing the number of cans inside the automobile. In the beer garden a person could get his or her favorite draft for \$1. Bright, sunny skies Saturday afternoon attracted a near-capacity crowd. Several local bands provided entertainment throughout the three-day event. A clown passes out balloons to an eager group.

Photos by Rick Evans

The sports scene

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Volleyball

Varsity Schedule

(Home games in all caps)

9/19	Avila Invit.	TBA
9/20	Avila College	TBA
9/24	Pittsburg St.	7:30
9/24	Southwestern	7:30
9/30	L. Methodist	7:00
9/30	Drury College	9:00
10/3	CSIC Tourney	TBA
10/4	CSIC Tourney	TBA
10/7	Sch. of Ozarks	7:00
10/9	Rockhurst	6:00
10/9	Park College	7:00
10/10	Mo. West. Inv.	TBA
10/11	Mo. West. Inv.	TBA
10/14	AVILA	7:00
10/14	JOHN BROWN	8:00
10/18	HARRIS-STOWE	2:00
10/18	EVANGEL	3:00
10/22	DRURY	7:00
10/24	CSIC INVIT.	TBA
10/25	CSIC INVIT.	TBA
10/29	PITTSBURG ST.	7:00



Soccer

Varsity Schedule

(Home games in all caps)

9/18	Oklahoma	3:30
9/24	Avila College	4:00
9/27	Mo. Baptist	1:30
9/30	Mid-Am. Naz.	3:30
10/3	Tex. Shootout	TBA
10/4	Tex. Shootout	TBA
10/8	PARK COLLEGE	3:30
10/11	TARKIO	1:30
10/14	JOHN BROWN	3:30
10/17	Mt. Valley	4:00
10/18	Underwood	1:30
10/21	WM. JEWELL	7:00
10/24	Mo. Rolla	7:00
10/28	OTTAWA UNIV.	7:00
11/1	BENEDICTINE	1:30

JV Schedule

(Home games in all caps)

9/20	NE OKLA. A&M	1:30
9/26	FORREST PARK	4:00
10/10	OZARK CHRIST	3:30
10/25	STATE FAIR	5:30



Intramurals

Fall Itinerary: Football

Season is underway. Season ends Oct. 23.

Racquetball

Sign-up begins Oct. 6. Sign-up deadline is Oct. 22. Season begins Oct. 27. Season ends Dec. 5.

Volleyball

Sign-up begins Oct. 13. Sign-up deadline is Oct. 30. Rules meeting is Nov. 3. Season begins Nov. 4. Season ends Dec. 1.

Triathlon

To be held Oct. 4. Sign-up from Sept. 22 to Oct. 3.

Tennis Results

Robert Womack received 3 bye. John Day def. Dallas Townsend, 10-0. Brad Kleindl def. Roderick Haynes, 10-4. Rob Luther def. Mike Harding, 10-6. Rick Smith received a bye. Dennis Mailles def. Steven Sontheimer, 10-1. Bill Rogers def. Hung Vo, 10-8. Todd Harding def. Edwin Johnson, 10-1.

Lions to face Tech

By Lori Mitchell
Staff Writer

After Missouri Southern's disappointing loss to Southwestern Oklahoma State University, Lions coach Rod Giesselmann is hungry for a win.

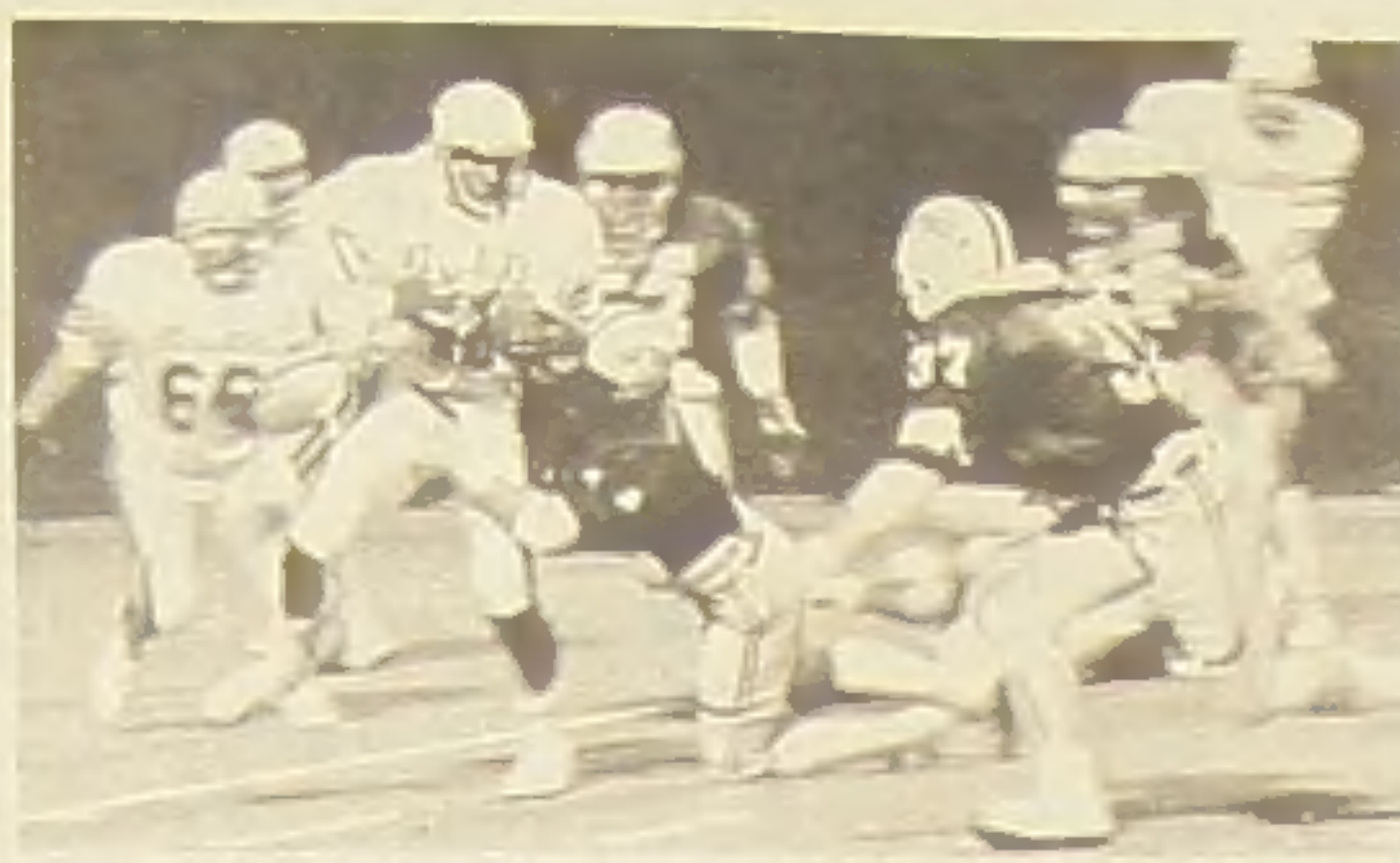
Giesselmann's opportunity will come Saturday night on a trip to Russellville, Ark., where the Lions clash with the Wonder Boys of Arkansas Tech University.

Arkansas Tech started its season off with a loss to Pittsburg State last Saturday.

"Arkansas Tech is under a new coaching staff, and from the films I've seen of their game against Pittsburg State, they've improved," said Giesselmann. "We're both hungry for a win since we've both lost our season openers."

Southern's loss to Southwestern Oklahoma was a learning experience for Giesselmann and the Lions.

"It was a frustrating experience," said Giesselmann. "Everyone was ready to play, and a loss in the last 15 seconds from our mistakes was nothing less than frustrating. Some people say that you learn more from losing than from winning and in this case, we learned the hard way. It wasn't a very good outcome."



Tackle

A Missouri Southern defender drags down a Southwestern Oklahoma opponent in Saturday's 17-14 loss. (Chart photo by Mike Hines)

The outcome of last Saturday's game was a 17-14 loss, with Southwestern Oklahoma's first scoring opportunity coming from its opening kickoff. The fumbled ball, missed by Southern players, was picked up and carried toward the Southern goal. With 11:52 left in the first quarter, James Hicks carried the ball one yard to give Southwestern the first points of the game. Two minutes later Hicks ran another one-yarder, giving Southwestern a comfortable lead at 14-0.

Hicks led Southwestern in rushing with 32 carries for 112 yards. Southern tailback Greg Dageforde was close behind with 26 carries for 103 yards.

Southern's scoring plays came from a 7-yard pass from quarter-

back Ray Hamilton to James Galloway with 14:14 left in the second quarter and a recovered blocked punt in the end zone by Raymond Ratliff with 11:12 left in the fourth quarter.

The 24-yard field goal by Southwestern's Kevin Strahorn in the fourth quarter with only 15 seconds remaining brought an end to the game.

According to Giesselmann, practice this week is consisting of solidifying fundamental techniques.

"We can't worry too much about the other team. We need to work on our consistency. Each position needs to do what they're supposed to. I'm not looking to change a great deal. I just want our players to have adequate preparation to use their talents to the fullest."

Lipira's squad bests JBU; record is 14-0

By Erik Schrader
Staff Writer

For volleyball fans, the last week and a half has been one of the best in Missouri Southern history.

"Obviously I could not ask for a better start," said Southern head volleyball coach Pat Lipira.

The volleyball team put another notch on its victory belt last night in Siloam Springs, Ark., mowing down John Brown University, 15-7, 16-14, and 15-2.

In a space of just 12 days, the Lady Lions have pulled down 14 victories in as many outings. They also captured two tournament championships, the most recent being their own Lady Lions Invitational.

"I feel like we have now faced some tough competition," said Lipira. "Last week I said the competition would get tougher. Now I feel like we have beaten some very tough teams."

Lipira's team opened its own tournament by downing St. Mary's of the Plains, 15-2, 15-12. The Lady Lions then upped their tournament pool record to 2-0 when Harris-Stowe College failed to arrive in time for the game. Southern closed out pool play with an unblemished

record by beating William Wood College, 15-13, 15-8, on Friday night, and Southern Nazarene, 15-5, 15-7, the next morning.

"We did not play as well as we could have on Friday, but I was pleased to see that we could win when we were not at our best," said Lipira.

In the single elimination bracket, Southern drew a first round bye and then trounced Avila College, 15-0, 15-9, before wrapping up the title by tripping Southern Nazarene for the second time in two days, 15-6, 15-5.

"I am happy with the way we have responded to pressure," said Lipira. "Rockhurst came into our tournament undefeated and finished third."

Among those leading the women to their perfect record are freshman Beth Greer with 248 assists, a .974 serving percentage, and a .943 reception percentage; sophomore Kyla Tompkins with 100 kills; junior Shelly Hodges with 86 kills and 11 blocks; and sophomore Angie Murphy with 47 digs.

Southern travels to Kansas City this weekend to participate in the Avila Invitational, a tournament containing seven NAIA District 16 schools.

Soccer Lions travel to Bartlesville in search of first win

By Tony Wilson
Staff Writer

Efforts by the Missouri Southern Soccer Lions to win their first game of the season were put on hold Tuesday as heavy rains wiped out a match with Bartlesville Wesleyan.

The Lions will try again today to break the four-game winless streak that is haunting them. Coach Hal Bodon and his 0-3-1 team will travel to Tahlequah, Okla., for a 3:30 p.m. match with Northeastern Oklahoma. The Redmen are 2-2-0 on the season after losing 1-0 to John Brown University on Sunday.

Southwest Missouri State University handed Southern its third loss of the season last Friday night in front of a large "Youth Night" crowd at Hughes Stadium. The Lions led 1-0 at halftime but gave up two goals in the second half.

"We had the first half and they had the second half," said Bodon. "I don't know what they did at halftime but it worked. They played faster in the second half."

Junior midfielder Eddie Miller followed a Vince Beckett shot that rebounded off Bears goalie George Tullio for the only Lions goal with 23:38 remaining in the first half.

Following a close call on Lions

fullback Mark Hinshaw, SMSU's Eric Adams put a penalty kick past Lions goalkeeper Duane McCormick just six minutes into the half.

"It was a tight call on Mark (Hinshaw) early in the half," said Bodon. "But he was illegally keeping the player from getting a good shot."

Adams scored to break the tie with 14:57 left in the game when he kicked a loose ball into the net past McCormick. Adams' original shot bounced off McCormick and hit the right goal post.

"The ball was rolling around the goal mouth after Duane saved it," said Bodon. "It is hard to get the

ball out of the goal area when there are three opposing players around it."

McCormick, who had seven saves on the night, said the team has been playing well despite the losses.

"This was the best these guys (the Lions) have looked. We just keep getting unlucky breaks," McCormick said.

Friday's match was the second time this season the Lions have lost after leading early in the contest.

"We tend to slack off with a one goal lead—that has to stop for us to win," said Bodon.

The way I see it:

It's my column, and I'll do what I want

By Shaun LePage
Sports Editor

Usually I only discuss one subject in this column, but today I want to talk about a lot of things, so I made myself a list. It's my column and I'll do what I want.

The first thing on my list is titled *good news and bad*. When this semester began there was good news and bad news. The bad news was that I had to learn how to spell "Giesselmann," and the good news was that I was going to have help doing the sports reporting this year. I have a real sports staff this semester, and they're doing a wonderful job.

The second thing I wrote on my list is *NFL garbage*. There are a few things going on in the National Football League that I would like to complain about or at least bring to the attention of you, the reader.

I still haven't been able to decide whether I like this videotape thing. Basically, top officials in the NFL have decided that if a questionable call has been made, the videotape of the play can be reviewed to help determine whether the call was correct. This actually took place in a game I watched this weekend. The initial call was reversed.

Like I said, I can't decide whether I like it or not. There are two sides to this issue. First of all, the game loses something when we can disregard the "I call 'em the way I sees 'em" theory. The humanness of the

officials has always been a very integral part of the game.

The other side of that coin is that we want to be fair as we possibly can. If a team earns a touchdown, I hate to see it deprived of that just because some guy in a striped shirt had something in his eye or something in his way. It's difficult to know which way is best.

Also, someone asked me which NFL team is the team to beat this year, in my opinion. I've discussed this with some other people, and asked them what they thought, but few people agreed with me. I will say that despite how I feel about the Dallas Cowboys, they will be the team to beat this year. I'm not going to eat this column if they don't win the Super Bowl, but I saw them play last weekend, and they looked very strong.

Something I always hate to see is a little article (or a big one for that matter) in the morning newspaper about a player who has been injured. Joe Montana of the San Francisco 49ers is out for the season, and has possibly ended his career. There's not much anyone can say. Something like this can make sports seem so futile. What I mean is, a player can work for as long as 25 or more years to reach the position Montana has reached. Most never get there at all. But, it can all be over in a split second.

The next thing on the list is *prediction correction*. Pat Lipira, Southern's head volleyball coach, brought something to my attention last weekend just before the Lady Lions won their 13th straight match. In last week's column I predicted that Southern's volleyball team would win at least 40 games. What I meant to say was that they would win 40 matches. There is a BIG difference. To win a match, a volleyball team must

win two out of three games. Let's see...if they were 13-0, they must have won 26 games, right? Anyway, I would like to correct myself at this time. The Lady Lions will win at least 40 matches or I will eat one copy of last week's column in public.

As I continue down my list, I find 3-point-shot.

Maintenance men at every college and university in the United States have or will have painted a new two-inch line on their basketball floors. The line is 19-feet, 9-inches away from the spot on the floor directly underneath the basket.

When a player takes a shot from beyond this line in upcoming basketball games, he will be credited with three points instead of two. We've seen this line in the professional basketball leagues, but it is new to most colleges. The purpose of the line is to bring teams out of those boring zones, and to make room for the little man once again in the game of basketball.

I like the idea, but I don't like the distance. A 20-footer is a basic, almost easy, shot for most college basketball players. I think the line should be moved out at least 12 inches.

Finally, I jotted down something that looks like 6-foot-4 league. From what I understand, Bob Cousy, who was perhaps one of the best guards to ever play basketball, is trying to start a professional basketball league for players who are 6-4 in height or under. I love the idea. I think it will go over very well in some parts of the country. Cousy said the league wouldn't try to compete with the NBA in any way, but that he felt that some people get tired of seeing giants play the game.

I agree with him, and I see his point. It can get tiresome to watch a man who can rest his chin on the rim play basketball.

It isn't very impressive to see him dunk the ball, either. I am looking forward to the small man's league.

The rest of the things on my list are either unimportant or written in Spanish, so I crumpled it up and threw it away. It's not that I don't ever write about unimportant things, or that I don't speak Spanish. Hablo espanol, mas o menos. It's just that I have written enough for this week. Besides, it's my column and I'll do what I want.

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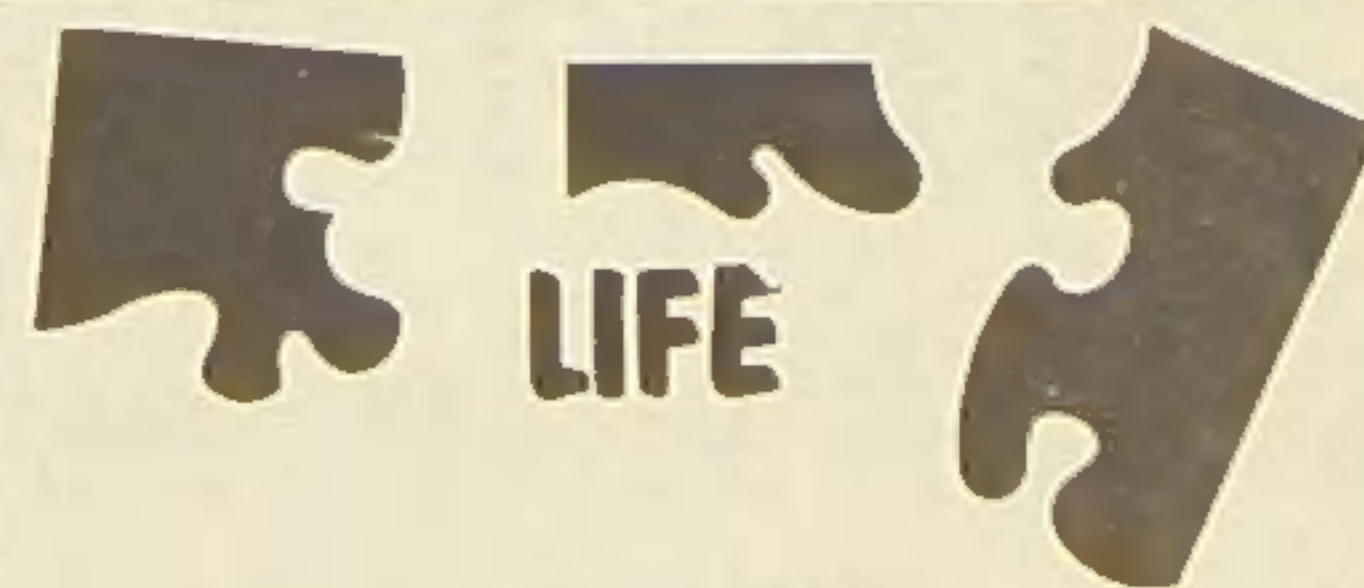


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